and men whose achievements we honor today.

Now, Therefore, I, William J. Clinton, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim August 26, 1998, as Women's Equality Day. I call upon the citizens of our great Nation to observe this day with appropriate programs and activities.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this twentieth day of August, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-third.

#### William J. Clinton

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NOTE: This proclamation was published in the *Federal Register* on August 24.

## Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

#### August 16

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom regarding the situation in Northern Ireland.

### August 17

In the afternoon, the President testified before the Independent Counsel's grand jury by video hookup from the Map Room at the White House.

## August 18

In the morning, the President met with foreign policy advisers to discuss Russia,

Northern Ireland, East Africa, the Balkans, and Iraq.

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton traveled to Martha's Vineyard, MA, for a vacation.

### August 19

The President had a telephone conversation with National Security Adviser Samuel Berger concerning foreign policy issues.

In the evening, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton celebrated the President's birthday with the Vernon Jordan family at a private residence.

Later in the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Vice President Al Gore.

#### August 20

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with foreign policy advisers. In the afternoon, he returned to Washington, DC. En route, aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with House Speaker Newt Gingrich, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, and Senate Minority Leader Thomas A. Daschle.

#### August 21

In the morning, the President met with the national security team concerning the military action against terrorist sites in Afghanistan and Sudan and the overall effort to combat terrorism internationally. He also had telephone conversations with Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif of Pakistan and Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu of Israel concerning the military action.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Martha's Vineyard, MA.

## Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

# **Checklist** of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

## Released August 17

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

## Released August 18

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

## Released August 19

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

### Released August 20

Transcripts of press briefings by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Transcript of a press briefing by Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and National Se-

curity Adviser Samuel Berger on military action against terrorist sites in Afghanistan and Sudan

## Released August 21

Transcript of a press briefing by National Security Adviser Samuel Berger and Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Statement by the Press Secretary on the appointment of Kenneth G. Lieberthal as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Asian Affairs at the National Security Council

# Acts Approved by the President

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.